

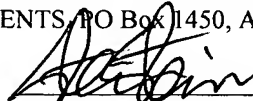


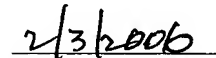
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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111, 1.115 AND 1.119 IN RESPONSE TO THE AUGUST 3, 2005 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the August 3, 2005 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the August 3, 2005 Office Action was originally due November 3, 2005. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time. The fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$510.00). A check in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$510.00) is enclosed herewith to cover the fee. Therefore, a response to the August 3, 2005 Office Action is now due February 3, 2006. Accordingly, this Response and Amendment is being timely filed.

In complete response to the August 3, 2005 Official Action, please amend the above-cited application as follows: